

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 15 May 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 16 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Saturday 15 May 2021 at 04:20 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for rather unsettled with showers or some longer spells of rain but lower for details regarding timings of any more persistent rain and cloud amounts.

Headline for Saturday 15 May 2021: Sunny spells and occasionally heavy afternoon showers. Mainly light easterly winds

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 15 May 2021

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

Low Likelihood

Heavy Snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight

Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Heavy rain showers	Heavy rain showers	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
10%	10%	20%	40%	40%	20%

Forecast for Saturday 15 May 2021

Weather: A mainly dry morning with some sunny spells. However showers will develop and these may become heavy and perhaps thundery over Arran during the afternoon, with some wintriness possible on highest summits in the Highlands. Showers largely die out through the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 40% at first becoming around 75% by late morning

Visibility: Occasional or periods of cloud above 450-600m at first becoming occasional above 750m by midday. Otherwise visibility good or very good falling to just a few kilometres in heavier showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	10/12 SE	7/10 SE	7/11 NE	9/13 E	8/11 E	5/7 SE	7/9 SE
900	11/14 SE	10/14 SE	6/9 SE	7/10 SE	6/9 NE	5/6 SE	6/7 SE
600	4/6 E	5/7 NW	7/11 N	9/13 SE	8/11 E	4/6 SE	5/6 S
300	3/5 N	5/9 E	6/10 N	6/10 E	6/10 SE	2/4 SE	4/7 SE
Glen	3/10 E	3/5 NE	6/10 NE	6/10 E	4/7 W	3/5 SE	4/7 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	0/-4	0/-4	2/-1	2/-1	2/-2	1/-2	0/-3
900	2/-2	4/0	6/4	6/4	5/3	4/2	3/0
600	6/4	6/5	8/6	8/6	8/6	6/5	6/4
300	6/6	9/8	11/10	11/10	10/9	9/8	8/7
Glen	8/7	12/11	13/12	13/12	12/12	10/10	10/9
Freezing Level*	1300m	1300m	1300m	1400m	1400m	1400m	1400m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Valley temperatures around plus 5 Celsius at dawn. Feeling cold over the higher summits.

Forecast for Sunday 16 May 2021

Weather: Clear spells with one or two lingering showers overnight. Then some sunny spells through the morning with slow moving showers developing, these may become locally heavy in the afternoon, with perhaps a rumble of thunder and again some wintriness on higher summits. The showers tend to die out through the evening.

Maximum wind: Variable, becoming mainly northwesterly later, less than 10mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 75%

Visibility: Occasional cloud above about 750m. Otherwise visibility good or very good falling to just a few kilometres at times in heavier showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Around plus 3 or 4 Celsius at dawn rising to plus 13 or 14 Celsius by day

At 800m: Around plus 5

Freezing level: Just above the highest summits